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March 26, 2008

Mr. Timothy E. Eastep, Manager  
Environment, Land & Water Department  
Chino Mines Company  
P.O. Box 7  
Hurley, New Mexico 88043

RE: Approval of extension to submit the Interim Remedial Action Completion Report  
Hurley Soils Investigation Unit (HSIU)  
Chino Administrative Order on Consent (AOC)

Dear Mr. Eastep:

The Ground Water Quality Bureau of the New Mexico Environment Department (NMED) received the Chino Mines Company (Chino) extension request and comment response letter dated March 19, 2008 on March 21, 2008. NMED grants approval of the extension request for submittal of the HSIU Interim Remedial Action Completion Report until after the April 3, 2008 meeting to resolve information and property issues. The extension period of fifteen (15) days would schedule a tentative submittal date of April 18, 2008 if all issues are resolved at the April 3, 2008 meeting.

If you have any questions, please contact me at 388-1934.

Sincerely,

Phil Harrigan, Chino AOC Project Manager  
Mining Environmental Compliance Section  
Ground Water Quality Bureau  
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